Mr. G. B. E. Truscott : About Rs. 3 lakhs.

Mr. K. R. Elenkath : With reference to answer to part (*c*) if no special qualifications were found necessary for the Secretary to the Committee, may I know why the service of such a costly officer was intended upon ?

Mr. G. B.E. Truscott : Government considered that he was the best person for the position.

Teaching of Arabic in Colleges.

5. ***Mr. T. Mahomed Ismail** (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state whether any provision is made for the teaching of Arabic in the colleges ?

Dr. K. L. Moudgill : No.

Mr. T. Mahomed Ismail : May I know whether there are students in the Arts and Science Colleges who have taken Arabic as their optional subject ?

Dr. K. L. Moudgill : Yes, Sir.

Mr. T. Mahomed Ismail : May I know how many, Sir ?

Dr. K. L. Moudgill : 4 in the Science College and 3 in the Arts College.

Mr. T. Mahomed Ismail : May I know what provision is made for the study of this optional subject?

Dr. K. L. Moudgill : Where a particular language which is not taught in the College, is taken as optional, the usual practice for the students is to get exemption from the University and satisfy the authorities that they will make special arrangements for the private study of the subjects. I expect such arrangements must have been made in these cases also.

Mr. T. Mahomed Ismail : May I know what are the conditions to be satisfied for the introduction of Arabic in the Science College ?

Dr. K. L. Moudgill : There is no special condition.

Mr. T. Mahomed Ismail : May I know whether provision is made for teaching Sanskrit in the Science College ?

Dr. K. L. Moudgill: Yes, Sir.

Mr. T. Mahomed Ismail: May I know whether provision is made for the teaching of French in the Science College

Dr. K. L. Moudgill : Yes, Sir.

Mr. N. Abdur Rahiman Sahib : May I know whether the question of appointing a part time officer for teaching Arabic was considered by the authorities ?

Dr. K. L. Moudgill : The question has been generally considered.

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